ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

Functional yet decorative luminaires intended to create distinctive environments within specific areas of a space in which one or more luminaires are used, the luminaires of the invention visually tie to architectural elements of the space by providing a customizable glow of color surrounding a typically white light that acts to illuminate the space functionally. A downlighting luminaire configured according to the invention as one example is typically configured to utilize two separate reflectors, usually reflectors having concave reflective surfaces and being mounted concentrically within a housing, an inner reflector directing light centrally through an aperture of the luminaire with the light so directed typically being white light useful for illumination intended to facilitate usual activities within the space. An outer reflector is spaced from the inner reflector with a transparent or translucent disc, such as an acrylic plastic disc, being held between the reflectors, the disc having a colored film adhered preferably to lower surfaces thereof to cause portions of the light emanating from lamping disposed above the disc to be colored by passage through the colored film, the disc being readily removable and replaced with a disc having a different color adhered thereto so that a particular luminaire can be customized as to color selection depending on user choice at any given time. An annulus of glowing, colored light exits the periphery of the luminaire aperture outwardly of the inner cone, the reflective surfaces of the outer reflector directing at least portions of the colored light passing through the disc and colored film through an annular aperture of the luminaire, thereby creating a distinctive appearance of a central, white shaft of light emanating from the inner reflector and a glowing annulus of colored light surrounding the white shaft of light. Peripheral edges of the inner reflector can be positioned flushly with the luminaire aperture or can extend to one or more positions outwardly of the luminaire aperture and thus "proud" of a ceiling or the like within which the luminaire is recessed, surface-mounted or pendently mounted inter alia.